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Following is a summary of the activities of VEB Plasta, Kunstharz- und Pressmassefabrik Erkner for the three months September - November 1954:

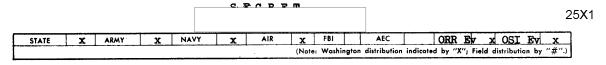
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1. Personnel

Lawatsch, chief of the laboratory, was appointed production manager in Movember 1954. Witte, a qualified chemist, was appointed chief of the laboratory in his place.

2. Arrivals of Raw Materials

<u>Material</u>	Approximate Quantity	<u>Origin</u>
Cresol	400 tons	VEB Leuna-Werke Walter Ulbricht, Leuna
11	750 tons	East Germany
Phenol	500 tons	VEB Leuna-Werke Walter Ulbricht, Leuna
11	500 tons	VEB Teerdistillation und Chemische Fabrik Erkner
Xylenol	1,450 tons	VEB Leuna-Werke Walter Ulbricht, Leuna
11	500 tons	VEB Teerdistillation und Chemische Fabrik Erkner
Formalin	50 tankers	East Germany
11	80 tankers	VEB Elektrochemisches Kombinat Bitterfeld
TT .	60 tankers	USSR
Urea	500 tons	USSR
11	600 tons	USSR
Hexa	480 tons	VEB Leuna-Werke Walter Ulbricht, Leuna
Benzol	50 tons	VEB Leuna-Werke Walter Ulbricht, Leuna
Mica	100 tons	East Germany
Barytes	300 tons	Soviet Bloc
Wood Dust	1,000 tons	USSR
Oxalic acid	70 tons	VEB Lackkunstharz- und Lackfabrik Zwickau
Soda-lye	1,000 liters	VEB Leuna-Werke Walter Ulbricht, Leuna
Concentrated HCl	1,500 liters	East Germany



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3. Production Deliveries

Product	Approximate Quantity	5	
Xylenol resins Phenol plastics Phenol pressing compound Aminoplastics " Glue resins Cresol resins "	1,000 tons 700 tons 1,500 tons 400 tons 250 tons 200 tons 50 tons	East Germany Thuringia Berlin Thuringia Piesteritz Berlin Saxony	25 X 1

4. Research and Development

- a. An order has been received for research in the production of creep-
- b. Experiments are being made in order to obtain a cheaper and quicker condensation agent.
- c. Experiments with modified resins were discontinued for some unknown reason.

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